

October 8, 2021

Special Session

- On October 5, the Iowa Legislature convened for a special session to vote on the redistricting maps.
- The Senate voted down <u>SF 620</u> and, because the Senate did not approve the proposed maps, the House did not need to take action on them.
- LSA will now promulgate a second map which the legislature will again need to convene to vote upon. More information on the redistricting process can be found <u>here</u>.

American Rescue Plan Reporting Deadline Extended

- States, territories, counties, entitlement cities and tribal governments will report project and expenditure data on January 31, 2022, instead of October 31, 2021.
- The first reporting deadline for non-entitlement cities will be April 30, 2022, instead of October 31, 2021.
- Additional information is available from the Treasury Department
 <u>here</u>.

Reprecincting Software Available

- Join the League on October 12 at 11 a.m. as we host the Secretary of State's Office. Training may be four hours or more.
- The Secretary of State's Office has purchased mapping software made available to cities at no cost. This software is specifically used for cities that need to map precincts/wards. This presentation is limited to the drawing of actual precinct/ward boundaries. It is not about the reprecincting/redistricting process in general.
- If a city is outsourcing their mapping or the county is doing it for them, then the city does not need to take the Esri training.
 <u>Registration is required</u>.

IEDA Rural Communities Competitive Funds

- Governor Reynolds and the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) announced four competitive funds available for rural communities with a population under 20,000.
- Funding of up to \$500,000 has been allocated for the current fiscal year (FY) 2022 through FY 2023. Additional information can be found <u>here</u>.



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